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## The Indiana Department of Labor Honors Albion Indiana's Robert Bosch Corporation with Safety Award

**Indianapolis, IN November 1, 2007** – The Indiana Department of Labor is pleased to announce the recertification of Albion, Indiana's Robert Bosch Corporation in Indiana's Voluntary Protection Program (VPP). The company was initially inducted into VPP in August 2003, receiving VPP "Star" status.

VPP, Indiana's Voluntary Protection Program, was established to recognize and promote safety and health management programs throughout the state. All companies, regardless of size or business, can participate in VPP - where management and employees work together to create and maintain a healthy working environment.

The corporation's Albion facility employs 271 employees. While primarily involved in molding and light assembly of components for the automotive industry, the Albion facility specializes in the engineering of fan cooling modules and process controls which produce a uniquely quiet and efficient fan.

The VPP recertification ceremony was held on Thursday, November 1, 2007 in Albion, Indiana. The ceremony provided an opportunity for Robert Bosch Corporation employees and management to showcase their exemplary status to the media, state officials and local elected officials. "It is rewarding to see companies proactively addressing occupational safety and health. The Department of Labor is proud to be a partner with the Robert Bosch Corporation in this achievement," commented Commissioner of Labor Lori A. Torres.

Workplace safety is integrated in each job function at the Robert Bosch Corporation. Employees on all three shifts actively participate in the company's safety committee. "From the daily pre-shift safety meetings involving managers and supervisors, to the weekly safety meetings involving employees, the Robert Bosch Corporation displays a commitment to the well-being of its workers. The Indiana Department of Labor recognizes how essential this commitment and involvement is in the implementation and continued operations of the company's workplace safety and health management program," added Torres.

The Robert Bosch Corporation's Albion, Indiana facility is the first of the corporation's 200 facilities world-wide to receive VPP "Star" status. "Acting as a role model for other Robert Bosch Corporation sites nation-wide, the Albion, Indiana facility has set precedence for other Bosch sites to achieve VPP status," added Torres.

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